

REMARKS

Claims 28-30 are canceled herein, leaving claims 3, 13-27 and 31 pending in the application.

ALLOWABLE Claims 28, 29 and 30

The Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claim 28 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, and that claims 29 and 30 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form and to overcome the Examiner's section 112 rejection.

Claims 3 and 31 Informalities

Claims 3 and 31 were objected to because of noted informalities. Claim 29 is canceled herein, thereby mooting the Examiner's objection in that regard.

Claims 3 and 31 have been carefully reviewed and are revised appropriately herein to be more definite. It is respectfully submitted that claims 3 and 31 are in full conformance with 35 USC 112. It is therefore respectfully requested that the objection be withdrawn.

Claims 13-30 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph

Claims 13-30 were rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 28-30 are canceled herein, thereby mooting the rejection in that regard. Otherwise, the Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claims 13-27 have been carefully reviewed and are amended appropriately herein to be in full conformance with 35 USC 112. Claims 13-27 have been amended to recite a "text message". The specific discussion of text information was originally described in the specification as filed, e.g., at page 9, lines 14-16, page 5, lines 2-6; etc.

For at least all the above reasons, claims 13-27 are in full conformance with 35 USC 112. It is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

Claim 3 over Steinbach, Kovesdi and Goldstein

Claim 3 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over US Pub. No. 2002/0183072 to Steinbach ("Steinbach") in view of US Pub. No. 2003/0155413 to Kovesdi et al. ("Kovesdi"), and US Pub. No. 2003/0022664 to Goldstein ("Goldstein"). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 3 is amended herein to include the ALLOWABLE subject matter of allowable claim 28. It is believed that the Examiner would agree that claim 3 is now in condition for allowance. If this is not the case the courtesy of a phone call to the named attorney below is respectfully requested.

Claim 28 reciting subject matter acknowledged by the Examiner to be patentable, it is respectfully requested that the rejection now be withdrawn.

Claims 13 and 20 over Steinbach, Kovesdi, Goldstein, and Thakker

Claims 13 and 20 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Steinbach in view of Kovesdi and Goldstein, and further in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,487,602 to Thakker ("Thakker"). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 13 is amended herein to include the ALLOWABLE subject matter of allowable claim 28, and claim 20 is amended herein to include the ALLOWABLE subject matter of allowable claim 30. It is believed that the Examiner would agree that claims 13 and 20 are now in condition for allowance. If this is not the case the courtesy of a phone call to the named attorney below is respectfully requested.

Claims 13 and 20 reciting subject matter acknowledged by the Examiner to be patentable, it is respectfully requested that the rejection now be withdrawn.

Claims 14, 21 over Steinbach, Kovesdi, Goldstein, Thakker, and Schipper

Claims 14 and 21 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Steinbach in view of Kovesdi, Goldstein, and Thakker, and further in view of U.S. Pat. No. 6,038,444 to Schipper ("Schipper"). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 14 is amended herein, by way of independent claim 13, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 28. Similarly, claim 21 is amended herein, by way of independent claim 20, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 30. It is believed that the Examiner would agree that claims 14 and 21 are now in condition for allowance. If this is not the case the courtesy of a phone call to the named attorney below is respectfully requested.

Claims 14 and 21 reciting subject matter acknowledged by the Examiner to be patentable, it is respectfully requested that the rejection now be withdrawn.

Claims 15, 22 over Steinbach, Kovesdi, Goldstein, Thakker, and Common Knowledge

Claims 15 and 22 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Steinbach in view of Kovesdi, Goldstein, Thakker, and further in view of alleged common knowledge. The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claim 15 is amended herein, by way of independent claim 13, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 28. Similarly, claim 22 is amended herein, by way of independent claim 20, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 30. It is believed that the Examiner would agree that claims 15 and 22 are now in condition for allowance. If this is not the case the courtesy of a phone call to the named attorney below is respectfully requested.

Claims 15 and 22 reciting subject matter acknowledged by the Examiner to be patentable, it is respectfully requested that the rejection now be withdrawn.

Claims 16-19 and 23-26 over Steinbach, Kovesdi, Goldstein, Thakker, and AAPA

Claims 16-19 and 23-26 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Steinbach in view of Kovesdi, Goldstein, Thakker, and further in view of Applicants' Admitted Prior Art (AAPA). The Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

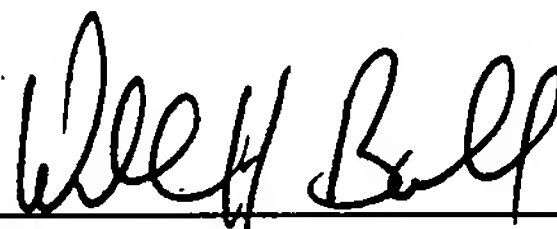
Claims 16-19 are amended herein, by way of independent claim 13, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 28. Similarly, claims 23-26 are amended herein, by way of independent claim 20, to include the subject matter of allowable claim 30. It is believed that the Examiner would agree that claims 16-19 and 23-26 are now in condition for allowance. If this is not the case the courtesy of a phone call to the named attorney below is respectfully requested.

Claims 16-19 and 23-26 reciting subject matter acknowledged by the Examiner to be patentable, it is respectfully requested that the rejection now be withdrawn.

Conclusion

All objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the subject application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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